



Ninety-Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2004  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 1080**

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**Chairperson:** Elaine Stuhr  
**Committee:** Nebraska Retirement Systems  
**Date of Hearing:** February 5, 2004

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Legislative Bill 1080 would amend Neb. Rev. Stat. §79-514 (Reissue 1996) and insert language indicating that Chapter 79 shall not be construed to authorize a school board or board of education of any school district to offer a separate annuity plan classified as a qualified plan under section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

LB 1080 seeks to resolve a possible ambiguity in state law whereby a fringe benefit, not defined as compensation under Neb. Rev. Stat. §79-902(35)(a) (Supp. 2003), could be considered compensation under the same section 79-902(35)(a), if the fringe benefit amount is contributed by a member to a plan under a section of the Internal Revenue Code that defers or excludes such amounts from income.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Senator Elaine Stuhr**